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## BEFORE THE VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

APPLICANT: EQUITABLE RESOURCES EXPLORATION,

a Division of Equitable Resources

Energy Company

VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

94-1213-0490

DOCKET NO.

RELIEF SOUGHT: POOLING OF INTERESTS IN A

DRILLING UNIT LOCATED IN THE ROARING FORK COALBED METHANE GAS FIELD DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A HERETO AND SERVED BY WELL NO. VC-3295 (herein "Subject Drilling Unit") PURSUANT TO

SS 45.1-361.21 and 45.1-361.22, CODE OF VIRGINIA, 1950 AS AMENDED, FOR THE PRODUCTION OF OCCLUDED NATURAL GAS PRODUCED FROM COALBEDS AND

ROCK STRATA ASSOCIATED THEREWITH (herein "Coalbed Methane Gas"

or "Gas")

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

SUBJECT DRILLING UNIT SERVED BY WELL NUMBERED VC-3295 (herein "Well") WILLIAM R. BEVINS OIL & GAS TRACT GLADEVILLE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT, WISE COUNTY, VIRGINIA (the "Subject Lands" are more particularly described on Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a part hereof)

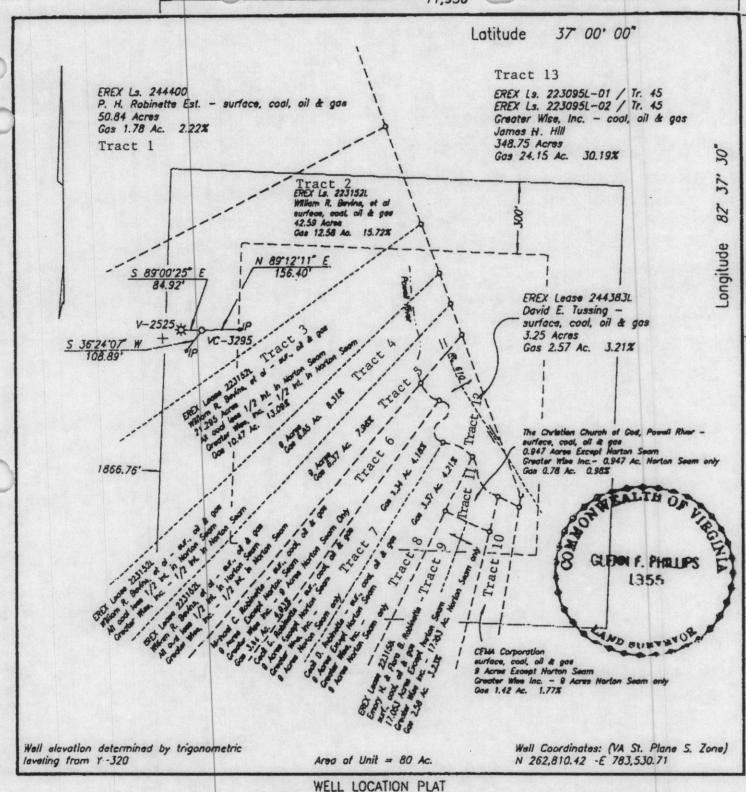
REPORT OF THE BOARD

## FINDINGS AND ORDER

- 1. Hearing Date and Place: This matter came on for hearing before the Virginia Gas and Oil Board (hereafter "Board") at 9:00 a.m. on December 13, 1994, Ratliff Hall, Southwest Virginia Education 4-H Center, Abingdon, Virginia at which time Applicant made a motion to withdraw its Application in this matter.
- 2. Appearances: James E. Kaiser of Hunter, Smith & Davis appeared for the Applicant; and Sandra B. Riggs, Assistant Attorney General, was present to advise the Board.
- 3. <u>Jurisdiction</u>: Pursuant to Va. Code § 45.1-361.1 <u>et seq.</u>, the Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the subject matter.
- 4. Relief Requested: The Applicant's application in this matter sought to have the Board: (1) pool the rights, interests and claims of the gas and/or oil owners in Subject Drilling Unit for the drilling and operation, including production thereof, of Subject Drilling Unit established for the Berea Sandstone Formations (herein "Subject Formation") underlying and comprised of the Subject Lands; and (2) name the Applicant as the Operator of Subject Drilling Unit. At the hearing of this matter, a motion was made requesting that the Applicant be permitted to withdraw its application for the compulsory pooling of Subject Drilling Unit.

| 5. Relief Granted: There being no objections to Applicant's motion to dismiss, the Board hereby grants Applicant's motion and hereby dismisses the Application filed in VGOB Docket No. 94-11213-0490 without prejudice.  DONE AND EXECUTED this 20th day of majority of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board. |
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| DONE AND PERFORMED this 2th day of Deumber, 1994, by Order of this Board.  Byron J. Sulman, Byron Thomas Fulmer  |
| Principal Executive To The Staff Virginia Gas and Oil Board  STATE OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF WISE  Acknowledged on this total day of December, 1994, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Benny  |
| Wampler, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Chairman of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and was authorized to do so.  Susan G. Garrett Notary Public   |
| My commission expires 7/31/98  STATE OF VIRGINIA ) COUNTY OF WASHINGTON )  Acknowledged on this day of day of day of learning, 1994, personally before me a notary public in and for the Commonwealth of Virginia, appeared Byron  |
| Thomas Fulmer, being duly sworn did depose and say that he is Principal Executive to the Staff of the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, that he executed the same and was authorized to do so.  Diane J. Davis Notary Public   |

My commission expires 09/30/97



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| copies of the<br>were placed<br>mail, return<br>the parties | e Application and the N<br>in the United States ma<br>receipt requested, pos | rember, 1994, true and correct office of Hearing in this matter ail in Kingsport, TN, certified tage prepaid, duly addressed to addresses as set forth in the part hereof. |
| (4) No<br>pursuant to                                       | tice of this cause has<br>the applicable statutes                            | s therefore been served by mail s and rules of the Board.  James E. Kaiser   |
| SUBSCRII  | BED AND SWORN TO befor   | e me this 2nd day of December,   |
|   |  | Glanda J. Venable  |
| My commission   | n expires:   |  |

## NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES, MINERALS & ENERGY, DIVISION OF GAS AND OIL Docket Number VGOB-94/12/13-0490 Well Number VC-3295

TO: All persons, their known and unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, assigns and successors, owning an interest in the gas, oil, coal or minerals underlying the William R. Bevins Oil and Gas Tract of land and adjacent tracts on the Norton Quadrangle in Gladeville District of Wise County, Virginia, and is located on the waters of an unnamed tributary of the Powell River.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Equitable Resources Exploration, a division of Equitable Resources Energy Company, Two Executive Park Place, 1989 East Stone Drive, Kingsport, Tennessee, 37660, is requesting that the Virginia Oil and Gas Board (hereinafter "Board") issue an order pooling all the rights, interests, and estates pursuant to Virginia Code Ann. § 45.1-361.1 et seg. in regard to the drilling, development and production of oil and gas and coalbed methane from drilling Unit V-3295, containing approximately [80] acres, located on the above-referenced tracts.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause has been set for hearing and the taking of evidence before the Board at 9:00 a.m. on December 13, 1994 at the 4-H Center, Route 609, Hillman Highway in Abingdon, Virginia.

All interested persons may attend this hearing, with or without an attorney, and offer evidence or state any comments you have. The Board rules require that any written objections you wish to file must be filed with the Board at least 10 days before the hearing. For further information, contact the Virginia Gas and Oil Board, State Gas and Oil Inspector, Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil, P.O. Box 1416, Abingdon, Virginia, 24210, (703) 676-5423 or the Applicant at the address shown above.